



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

MILLER ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/083,017

Filed: February 26, 2002

Confirmation No.: 4317

Atty. File No.: 45568-000425

For: "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT OF HEARING AIDS THAT INCLUDE IMPLANTABLE ACTUATORS"

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

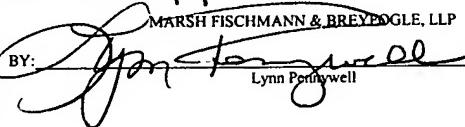
Applicant submits this Response to address the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment having a mailing date of December 08, 2003. This Response will correct the section entitled "In the Claims" of the Amendment and Response submitted by Applicant on November 21, 2003.

Enclosed herewith is a request for a one-month extension of time, thereby extending the time period for response from January 8, 2004 to February 8, 2004, as well as a check in the amount of \$55.00 as the fee for such extension. It is not believed that any additional fees are due in connection with this Response, however, any such fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1419.

Please amend the application as follows:

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